

DAVID C. MACK, a prominent and leading citizen, and the present efficient and popular sheriff of Indiana county, was born in West Wheatfield township, Indiana county, Pennsylvania, September 7, 1846, and is a son of Joseph and Elizabeth (McRorey) Mack. His paternal grandfather, Robert Mack, was a native of county Antrim, Ireland, and came about 1798 to Pennsylvania, where he located in what is now West Wheatfield township, this county, and was engaged for many years in farming. He was a member of the United Presbyterian church, was a large landholder and influential citizen, and died in 1844 at the age of 88 years. John McRorey (maternal grandfather) was born in county Antrim, Ireland, where he learned the trade of shoemaker. He came to this county about 1800, was an elder in one of the first United Presbyterian churches organized in Indiana county, and died in 1865, when in the 78th year of his age. Joseph Mack (father) was born in West Wheatfield township, where he has always resided, and is an extensive farmer and stock-raiser. He is a prominent member and useful elder of the United Presbyterian church, a leading republican who has held various of his township's offices. He is practical and accurate business man. He married Elizabeth McRorey, and has reared a family of six sons and two daughters. Although in his seventy-third year, he is yet able to conduct his farm and manage all of his business. His wife is one year his junior in age, and has been for many years a member of the United Presbyterian church.

David C. Mack was reared on the home farm till he was thirteen years of age. His education was received in common schools and Elder's Ridge academy. Leaving school he followed teaching for seven or eight years, at the end of which time he purchased a farm in West Wheatfield township, and was engaged in the stock business for twelve years. In 1883 he built house and store-room at New Washington, on the old Frankstown road, in the eastern part of the township, where he embarked in the general mercantile business, which he followed for four years. In 1887 he was elected on the republican ticket as sheriff of Indiana county, and moved to Indiana, where he now resides, and is the first sheriff to occupy the new jail. He is a republican from principle, has always been active in politics and is well acquainted with all the political issues of the day. In 1890

Sheriff Mack formed a partnership with J. A. Johnson, under the firm-name of Johnson & Mack, and engaged in the general mercantile business at the old stand of Wegley & Johnson, on the corner of First and Philadelphia streets. Their mercantile establishment is known as the "Farmers' Headquarter," and is well filled with a large, varied and complete stock of general merchandise. They deal extensively in country produce, and are exclusive agents for improved harrows and plows and other useful farm machinery. By close attention to business and the requirements of their patrons they are building up a very prosperous trade.

On July 18, 1872, he married Emma K. Wilson, of New Wilmington, Mercer county, Pa. They have five children, four sons and one daughter: Joseph P., James W., Edgar McRorey, Olive E. and Paul W.

Sheriff Mack owns a valuable farm of one hundred and twenty-one acres of well improved land in West Wheatfield township. He is a man of good judgment, of fine business ability and extended business experience. His manner of discharging the duties of the sheriff's office has made him very popular with the masses of the people

throughout the county, irrespective of party. He is courteous, prompt and accurate in the discharge of either public or private business, and has many warm and faithful friends.